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FIG. 12 illustrates one embodiment of printed instructions in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIG. 13 illustrates one embodiment of printed instructions in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIGS. 14-19 illustrate exemplary panels of printed instructions in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIG. 20 illustrates a physical configuration of printed instructions in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 21 illustrates a method in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIGS. 22-30 illustrate various stages of a method of enclosing a medical procedure kit configured in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIGS. 31-33 illustrate various stages of a method of deploying a medical procedure kit configured in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIGS. 34-37 illustrate various stages of an alternative method of enclosing a medical procedure kit configured in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIGS. 38-39 illustrate various stages of an alternative method of enclosing a medical procedure kit configured in accordance with embodiments of the invention.

FIG. 40 illustrates an alternate health care services provider portion of printed materials configured as an adhesive label with an opening flap in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

FIG. 41 illustrates an alternative patient portion of printed instructions configured as a greeting card and having patient information therein, in accordance with one embodiment of the invention.

Skilled artisans will appreciate that elements in the figures are illustrated for simplicity and clarity and have not necessarily been drawn to scale. For example, the dimensions of some of the elements in the figures may be exaggerated relative to other elements to help to improve understanding of embodiments of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Embodiments of the invention are now described in detail. Referring to the drawings, like numbers indicate like parts throughout the views. As used in the description herein and throughout the claims, the following terms take the meanings explicitly associated herein, unless the context clearly dictates otherwise: the meaning of “a,” “an,” and “the” includes plural reference, the meaning of “in” includes “in” and “on.” Relational terms such as first and second, top and bottom, and the like may be used solely to distinguish one entity or action from another entity or action without necessarily requiring or implying any actual such relationship or order between such entities or actions. Also, reference designators shown herein in parenthesis indicate components shown in a figure other than the one in discussion. For example, talking about a device (10) while discussing figure A would refer to an element, 10, shown in figure other than figure A.

Embodiments of the present invention provide a medical procedure kit that includes medical products for performing a medical procedure. In one embodiment, the medical procedure kit is configured for a catheterization procedure. Such an embodiment will be used herein for illustration purposes. However, it will be clear to those of ordinary skill in the art having the benefit of this disclosure that embodiments of the invention are not so limited. Other medical procedure kits

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for performing other procedures could be substituted for the illustrative catheterization tray disclosed herein by substituting other medical implements for the catheterization implements. In the illustrative embodiment, a tray is configured to accommodate a medical device or assembly. In an illustrative embodiment, the medical device is a coiled device, such as a catheter or catheter assembly. In addition to accommodating the coiled medical device, embodiments of the present invention are also configured to contain devices and materials intended for use with the coiled medical device.

Using a catheter assembly as an example, when a catheter assembly is inserted into a patient, sterile water may be used to inflate the catheter. Additionally, the catheter may be coated in a lubricating jelly prior to insertion into the patient. Fluids and other samples may then be monitored and obtained from the patient via the catheter. Embodiments of the present invention provide a single container configured to accommodate not only the catheter assembly and fluid bag, but also syringes containing sterile water or lubricants. Further, the tray can accommodate a sterile specimen jar for capturing samples taken from the patient via the catheter.

In addition to simply accommodating these corresponding medical devices, in one embodiment the tray is configured to provide the medical services provider with mnemonic devices instructing them in which order to use each device. For example, a compartment containing syringes, in one embodiment, includes an inclined, stair-stepped bottom member to present the plungers of each syringe at an easy to reach angle and at different heights based upon order of use.

Another advantage of embodiments of the present invention is that compartments have multi-purpose functionality. For example, in one embodiment, a container configured to accommodate a syringe having lubricating jelly disposed therein is also configured to be used as a lubricating jelly applicator. A medical services provider first dispenses the lubricating jelly into the syringe compartment. The medical services provider then passes the catheter from another compartment through an opening in a barrier separating the compartments into the lubricating jelly. As such, the tray not only serves as a shipping and storage container for an assembly of devices used with a catheter procedure, but also as an application device to assist a medical services provider in using those products together.

Turning now to FIGS. 1-6, illustrated therein are views of one embodiment of a tray 100 configured to accommodate a catheter assembly in accordance with embodiments of the invention. FIG. 1 illustrates a top, front right perspective view of the tray 100. FIG. 2 illustrates a top, front, left perspective view of the tray 100. FIG. 3 illustrates a top plan view of the tray 100. FIG. 4 illustrates a front elevation view of the tray 100. FIG. 5 illustrates a cut-away, left elevation view of one embodiment of a tray 100. Likewise, FIG. 6 illustrates a bottom plan view of the tray 100. For simplicity of discussion, these figures will be referred to collectively with like reference numerals referring to identical or functionally similar elements throughout the separate views.

The tray 100, in one embodiment, is formed by a contoured surface 104 that defines the various features and compartments of the tray 100. The contoured surface 104 of the tray 100 can be manufactured in various ways. For example, in one embodiment, the tray 100 can be thermally formed on a mold from a soft thermoplastic, such as styrene or polystyrene. In another embodiment, the tray 100 can be injection molded. In another embodiment, the tray can be poured on a mold using a quick setting plastic, epoxy, or